

Our Reference EY405536

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Alison Romanczuk, monitored your provision on 03/07/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 13/05/2014, we sent you a notice to improve. If you were set actions at the inspection, or as a result of our subsequent monitoring or investigations, these are included at the end of this letter unless we have already verified that they have been completed.

During the monitoring visit the inspector discussed with you the steps you have taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. She observed your interaction with the child present. She was unable to speak with a local authority development worker at Lewisham. The inspector reviewed your documentation to record children's attendance and risk assessments that you undertake. She discussed and viewed systems you have to observe and plan for children's progress in learning and development.

The inspector found that you have developed a clear action plan to address the issues raised and that you are making progress towards implementing these plans. You have identified potential risks in the environment including training wires, exposed radiator pipes and glass cabinet doors. You have accessed an initial plastic covering for the glass doors. You are currently seeking a method of covering the exposed pipes while the weather is mild and the heating not in use. You have purchased a cable tidy to ensure children cannot access trailing wires. You understand that children's safety and wellbeing are maintained through careful monitoring and assessing of all areas of your home. The inspector found that you now have a secure system in place to record children's arrival and departure times. You realise that including those times that you pick up and drop off children to school makes this system more robust and further supports children's safety.

The inspector found that you have put in place assessment processes and targeted planning to further support children's achievements while they are in your care. Plans that you have formulated give children opportunities to choose and be independent

and allow you to guide learning, for example, to support children's mathematical knowledge. This has helped you to get to know children's strengths and areas where they may need support. You have spoken to staff at the children's school and discuss progress regularly with children's parents. You intend to further strengthen your links with the school, for example, through additional discussions with teachers, for the benefit of children's continuity in learning. You have been proactive in seeking and receiving support from the local authority and now have clear files that help you to assess children's achievements so that they can clearly progress in all areas towards the early learning goals when they reach school.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that the childminder has taken prompt and effective action to address the points for improvement.

Next steps

The next step will be a full inspection.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your childminding service. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Nick Hudson
National Director, Early Education

Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
keep a daily record of the names of the children looked after on the premises and their hours of attendance (compulsory part of the Childcare Register).	06/06/2014	03/07/2014
keep a daily record of the names of the children looked after on the premises and their hours of attendance (voluntary part of the Childcare Register).	06/06/2014	03/07/2014
undertake a risk assessment of the premises and equipment at least once in each calendar year, and immediately, where the need for an assessment arises. Ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	06/06/2014	03/07/2014
ensure the risk assessment process identifies and removes all potential hazards, with particular regard to the low level glass, trailing wires and the exposed radiator pipes accessible to children in the play room	06/06/2014	03/07/2014
keep an accurate daily record of the children's hours of attendance	06/06/2014	03/07/2014
use observations to identify the next steps in children's individual learning and to then plan challenging learning experiences for each child reflecting those observations.	06/06/2014	03/07/2014
undertake a risk assessment of the premises and equipment at least once in each calendar year, and immediately, where the need for an assessment arises. Ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	06/06/2014	03/07/2014